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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
HIROKI HIYAMA ET AL.	)	Examiner: Yogesh K. Aggarwal
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Application No.: 09/625,843	)	Group Art Unit: 2622
	)	
Filed: July 26, 2000	)	Confirmation No. 7974
	)	
For: IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE	)	February 16, 2007

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application, as follows, prior to the further examination of the application pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination which is being filed herewith.